

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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TOP SECRET

1. USSR - Communist China

a. The Sino-Soviet talks may already have come to an abrupt end. The Chinese delegates apparently failed to show for today's meetings.

b. If so, it would appear the Soviets finally succeeded in maneuvering Peiping into making the overt break.

c. The Chinese were probably reacting to a Soviet Central Committee statement published in this morning's Pravda charging the Chinese with carrying on a "deliberate campaign" to worsen relations and claiming--somewhat disingenuously--that Moscow will continue to strive to "overcome the difficulties."

d. The pretext for this blast was Sunday's rally in Peiping held in honor of the five Chinese thrown out of Moscow for distributing polemic literature.

2. Portugal-US-Congo

a. Portuguese Foreign Minister Nogueira's blood pressure is down once more, although he apparently still believes the US is behind Adoula's recognition of the Angolan government-in-exile.

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b. In a long and inconclusive talk yesterday with Ambassador Elbrick, Nogueira said that Lisbon is not planning drastic action in the immediate future.

3. Egypt-Yemen

a. Ali Sabri told Badeau on Saturday that Saudi aid to the royalists had continued after the UN observers had arrived and that Egypt would not begin troop withdrawals until it stopped.

c. On the other hand, it is clear that the royalists are giving the Egyptians a hard time north and east of Sana. Sabri admitted that tribal support for the Sallal government was "cooling."

d. Badeau is to see Nasir on the 15th.

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4. Cuba

a. The Soviet ship Metallurg Bardin, now in the Mediterranean declared for Cuba, could be carrying [redacted] arms cargo [redacted]

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- A. USSR We do not know why Khrushchev is in Kiev at present--he left Moscow last Friday--but suspect his absence from Moscow is intended as a deliberate insult to Peiping. He was still in Kiev yesterday when he received Spaak.
- B. USSR-Rumania Moscow is still trying to cover up Khrushchev's hurried visit to Bucharest on 24-25 June. Soviet Ambassador Zhegalin stated flatly in Bucharest that Khrushchev received the Women's Congress group in Moscow 24 June. However, Moscow's Mayor greeted the opening session and the Soviet delegate read Khrushchev's message to the group. We continue to believe Khrushchev made the trip.

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